

Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Bill.

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Amend the Law in regard to the Registration of A.D. 1908.
 Clubs in Ireland.

BE it enacted by the King's most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

- 5 1. From and after the passing of this Act the rules of every club registered under the Registration of Clubs (Ireland) Act, 1904, herein-after called the principal Act, shall provide—
 Club rules qualifying for registration.
- (a) That no exciseable liquor shall be sold or supplied for consumption off the premises of the club;
- 10 (b) That no visitor or honorary member residing permanently within seven miles of the club premises shall be supplied with exciseable liquors in the club premises during the hours when the sale of exciseable liquors is prohibited on licensed premises in the district where
 15 the club is situated.
2. Any district inspector, or head constable, or sergeant of police, may, for the purpose of detecting or preventing the violation of any of the provisions of this Act or of the principal Act, enter the premises of any registered club at any time during the hours when the sale of exciseable liquors is prohibited on licensed premises in the district as aforesaid.
 Right of entry by police.
- 25 3. Application for the certificate of registration or renewal of registration of any club, shall, notwithstanding anything in the principal Act, be made at the first petty sessions held in January of each year, and at no other time; and the particulars
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Grant and renewal of certificates of registration.

A.D. 1908. and papers lodged with the registrar by any secretary or secretaries on making application for registration or renewal of registration shall be open to inspection by any person on payment of a fee of one shilling at all reasonable times prior to the hearing of such applications by the court.

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Disqualification of premises.

4. No club shall be qualified for registration where the premises have been purchased or leased for the purpose of such club by any brewer, firm of brewers, brewery company, distiller, or wine and spirit merchant, or where the club is under covenant to purchase exciseable liquors in consideration of money advanced 10 on account of the said club.

Penalties for refusing to admit police.

5. Every person who refuses or fails to admit any police inspector, head constable, or sergeant, in the execution of his duty demanding to enter any registered club in pursuance of section two of this Act, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding 15 for the first offence *five pounds*, and not exceeding for the second and every subsequent offence *ten pounds*.

Penalties for illegal sale or supply of exciseable liquors.

6. Where any registered club sells, or distributes, or supplies, or permits any of its members, servants, or officials, to sell, distribute, or supply, any intoxicating liquors in contravention 20 of section one of this Act, the responsible officers and committee, and every person paying for such intoxicating liquors shall be liable severally on conviction to a penalty not exceeding for the first offence, *six pounds*, for the second offence, *fifteen pounds*, and for every subsequent offence, *thirty pounds*, unless 25 he proves to the satisfaction of the court that such liquor was so sold or supplied without his knowledge or against his consent, and, where it is proved that such liquor has been received, delivered, or distributed, within the premises of the club and taken outside the premises, it shall, failing proof to the contrary, 30 be deemed to have been so taken for consumption outside the premises.

Recovery of penalties.

7. Every penalty under this Act or the principal Act shall be recoverable in a court of summary jurisdiction.

Repeal

8. Section four, paragraph (5), and section eight of the 35 principal Act shall be and are hereby repealed.

Short title and application.

9. This Act may be cited as the Clubs (Ireland) Amendment Act, 1908, and shall be construed as one with the principal Act.

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